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25X1 6. [redacted] Jim Oliver, OMB, called saying he had been asked to rundown a news report that the Director had taken issue with the Rockefeller Commission recommendation on an open budget before the House Appropriations Committee. I informed Oliver of the briefing yesterday of the House Defense Subcommittee, reminded him of the Director's past public position on this subject, and I arranged to have Mr. Cary call to discuss this further with Oliver.

25X1 7. [redacted] I met with Representative John Murphy (D., N. Y.) in response to his request. He has been invited to participate in a program concerning CIA and wants to support us. I reviewed with him some of the general points which should be considered in a balanced presentation.

25X1 8. [redacted] Called William Nichols, Acting General Counsel, OMB, regarding his request to the Agency General Counsel for views on a draft "Security Classification Act of 1975." This draft bill is a product of the staff of the House Committee on Government Operations, which has been working over the past two Congresses on a statutory classification system to replace E. O. 11652. Nichols referred me to Bob Bedell who he said was handling this bill. I inquired of Bedell what kind of response he needed, whether detailed and formal or just general remarks. Bedell said he had obtained the bill from a staffer on the Committee and that he did not need formal comments, but would like me to orally report our impressions of the bill. I promised to do so after I have had a chance to sift through the comments of several Agency offices.

25X1 9. [redacted] Received a call from Tom Smeeton,, Minority staff, ~~House International Relations Committee~~, who requested, on behalf of Representative William S. Broomfield (R., Mich.), a meeting with someone from the Agency familiar with the various joint committee proposals. I told him I would be back in touch.

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7. [redacted] Stopped by the office of Senator Walter F. Mondale (D., Minn.), and left some maps of Norway for Frank Martin, of the staff, who had requested them from our Map Library.

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8. [redacted] Met with Charles Lombard, Senate Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee staff, and provided him with a package of information per arrangements made by [redacted]

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9. [redacted] Met with Judy Spahr, on the staff of the Permanent Investigations Subcommittee, Senate Government Operations Committee, and per her request provided her with two copies of the Agency publication entitled, "USSR: Long Range Prospects for Hard Currency Trade (A (ER 75061)).

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10. [redacted] Stopped by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff room in the New Senate Office Building, and left a package of information relating to the Law of the Sea information for David Keaney, on the Committee staff.

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11. [redacted] Delivered a letter to the office of Representative Clarence D. Long (D., Md.), responding to his question to statements on Sam Adams' Harper's article.

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12. [redacted] Accompanied the Director to a briefing of the Defense Subcommittee, House Appropriations Committee, for a briefing on the CIA budget. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

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13. [redacted] Accompanied the Director to a briefing of the House International Relations Committee on oversight for a briefing on the Presidential finding of January and April. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

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14. [redacted] John Flynt, who said he was on the staff of the House Select Committee on Intelligence, called to say he would like to be sure that the materials requested in Chairman Lucien N. Nedzi's letter of 27 May would be available to the Committee as soon as the organizational problems are resolved. I told him that I was sure that the material was in a posture for access by the Committee once it is organized and we have worked out security procedures and guidelines.

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Tuesday - 10 June 1975

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1. [REDACTED] Received a call from Dan Spiegel of Senator Hubert Humphrey's (D., Minn.) staff, who asked a number of questions about MARV testing. He said one of the central points that concerns him was the Soviet capability to evaluate the American system. According to him, representatives of the General Electric Company have indicated that the Soviets have a capability to identify evader MARVs. He went on to say that his principal concern is that Senator Thomas J. McIntyre (D., N.H.) be informed on this subject before the Defense Procurement Bill goes to conference. I told Spiegel I would look into this and get back in touch with him.

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2. [REDACTED] Called Marian A. Czarnecki, on the staff of the ~~House International Relations Committee~~ and finalized arrangements for the Director's briefing of the Oversight Subcommittee tomorrow afternoon at 4:00 o'clock on covert action program.

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3. [REDACTED] Attended a meeting in the White House of the Legislative Interdepartmental Group on Diego Garcia.

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4. [REDACTED] I called Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, and discussed the subjects that would be covered at today's briefing. I also mentioned that we had a Reserve release letter which I would bring to him today. ([REDACTED] and I later dropped the letter off and briefed McConnell on the release.)

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Later in the morning, McConnell called and said the Chairman would have to cancel the Director's briefing of the Intelligence Operations Subcommittee this afternoon. McConnell said he would be back in touch for a new date.

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5. [REDACTED] Called Dorothy Fosdick, Permanent Investigations Subcommittee staff, and gave her a fill-in on Brezhnev per her request yesterday. I said he had recently been seen at a soccer game in Moscow, so he was not out of circulation at the moment.

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22. [redacted] In the absence of Mr. Cary, took a call from Marian Czarnecki, Chief of Staff, House International Relations Committee, and confirmed Wednesday, 11 June at 4:00 p. m. as the date and time for the briefing of the Committee on the Foreign Assistance Act.

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23. [redacted] Delivered to David Batt, in the office of Representative Joe D. Waggoner, Jr. (D., La.), a letter from the Director to [redacted] a former Agency employee, advising her that her claim for damaged household effects just prior to retirement had been reviewed and the decision of the Claims Review Board was confirmed. Batt will discuss the matter further with Representative Waggoner and will forward the Director's letter to [redacted]. Batt expressed concern that the Director's letter does not contain a flat statement that the Agency was not negligent in selecting a warehouse that the Department of Defense had disapproved. I told him that this was the finding of the Agency and Batt said that Representative Waggoner may ask that such a statement be submitted in writing.

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24. [redacted] Picked up from Jim Cline, Counsel, House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship and International Law, a cassette given to him by a Soviet that he met on his recent trip to the Soviet Union. The Soviet asked Cline to mail the cassette to a relative in the United States upon his return. Cline asked that we review the tape to be certain that it does not contain anything that might be embarrassing to him or possibly cause a problem with the Soviets. Cline had visited the Soviet Union with a group of members from the House Judiciary Committee to determine if the Soviets were in any way relaxing the emigration of Soviet Jews from the Soviet Union. The Soviet who gave Cline the cassette was a dissident Jew who has openly expressed strong views on this issue.

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[redacted] C/SE, is conducting the review.

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25. [redacted] Met with Margo Blakely, in the office of Senator Alan Cranston (D., Calif.), and discussed a request to the Agency on behalf of a constituent, [redacted] which was sent to us from their San Francisco, California office. The constituent expressed concern that the Agency or the FBI may have been surveilling him. I explained that we had no information concerning the individual. Blakely will so advise their San Francisco office.

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